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A CHRONICLE
OF THE
KINGS OF ENGLAND.

AND

A MEMOIR
OF
GUY EARL OF WARWICK.





OBSERVATIONS.

THE CHRONICLE OF THE KINGS OF ENGLAND, and THE MEMOIR OF GUY EARL OF WARWICK, which are contained in the following pages of this little Volume ; were extracted from a Monastic Manuscript, which fell some years since into the hands of the Printer, and from which they were by him at such time, carefully transcribed. The total absence of Punctuation, and some other Peculiarities which will be found in them, are in strict accordance with the original Manuscript.

In addition to the Extracts above mentioned ; the original Manuscript contains a copy of the Life of Edward the Confessor, written in Latin in the Reign of Henry the second, by Ealdred Abbot of Rievaux in the County of York, at the Instance of Laurence then Abbot of Westminster, and presented to that King when the Confessor's Body was removed and enshrined in the year 1163. That Work it is believed has been already printed.

The Manuscript is entirely deficient of Date : but as THE CHRONICLE terminates with the Reign of Henry the Second, it may be presumed that the whole Book was written soon after the close of that Reign.

The MEMOIR OF GUY OF WARWICK, as will appear from its concluding lines; is a translation from the latin of Gerard Cornubience, a Chronicler of the Kings of Westsex : and the writer of the entire Volume is presumed to have been one Thomas Sandon ; as the handwriting of the whole is uniform, and at the end of the Life of Edward the Confessor, are the following lines :

“ Libro finito sit Laus et Gloria Cristo
“ Qui scripsit codicem Thomas Sandon nominatus
“ Edwardi meritis Deus det sibi Gaudia lucis
“ Atque placens Cristo mundo sic degat in isto
“ Ut Carnis morte celi pateant sibi porte
“ Reddat ei munus qui regnat trinus et Unus. ”

If the “ Glossaries ” are found in some respects defective ; the kind Reader is requested to bear in mind, that this little Volume is ushered into existence, not as a Specimen of Antiquarian Research ; but as one of Amateur Printing.

A CHRONICLE
OF THE
KINGS OF ENGLAND:
FROM
ALFRED THE GREAT
TO
HENRY THE SIXTH.

1. **FR~~OR~~AN** Tyme of Brute Autors dou specyfye
 11CXXIIII Yerys by Succession
 Kyng reigned tyll Tyme the Monarchye
 Devoute Alfred toke Possession
 To Holy Chirch which had gret Devocion
 In syxe Parties his Goodys did devyde
 Reigned xxix Yere is beryed at Hyde

2. Next in Ordre by Succession
 Edward Semour his Son crowned Kyng
 Which toward God had grete Devocion
 Repayred Churchis of new and old Byldyng
 Large in Expense argus in iustifying
 xxIIII Yere bare his Crowne in Dede
 Beryed at Seynt Swethyns ye Cronicle ye may rede

3. After this Edward by rew Inherytaunce
 His Son Adhelstone was crowned Kyng
 Whose nobill Fame put in Remembraunce
 Of Medylton and Melchilney thabbeys byldyng
 Gaf grete Possessions to Chyrchis endowyng
 Full xvi Yere reygned and goode Rest
 At Malmesbery lyeth beryed in his Chest

4. His Brother Edmond when Adelstone was dede
Meke and prudent lovyng good Counsayle
By ryght Tytill the Crown toke on his Hede
Cotynued vi Yeris in Sorow and grete Travayle
Lyncoln Notyngham and Leycestre to his Avayle
Gat by Conquest magre the Danys myghty
The Cronicle witnesseth is beryed at Glastynbery
5. After Edmond as sayth myn Auctour
Hys Brother Edred to make Alyaunce
Reigned ix Yere bare grete Favour
And for gracyous goostly Gouernaunce
In his dying as made is Remembraunce
Heryng Seynt Dunstane Angelys song on hye
Edred restyth in peasabyll Memorye
6. Next to Edred reigned Kyng Edwyne
Strange of Condicions as Bokys specyfye
Sonne to Edmond descendid down by Lyne
Exiled Saynt Dunstane of furious Tyranny
The seveneth Kyng syth gon the Monarchye
Bare the Crowne full $1\frac{1}{4}$ Yere
Beryed at Wynchester this sayth the Croniclere

7. Broder to Edwyne was Edgare as I rede
Att hos Byrth Angelis wt Melody songe
In thayre on hye as Auctors write in Dede
By the Byrth of Edgare peas be yon among
In Tyme of Saynt Dunstane born to lyve long
Reygned xvi Yere ryght Enherytour
Beryed at Glastynbery as seyth myn Auctour
8. Next peasabyll Edgar reigned his Sonne Edward
By trew tyll gett in Mariage
His Stepmoder to hym full froward
Wold haue her Sonne preferred of tender Age
Dyd her Cure in Werk and eke Langage
Reigned iiiii Yere as it is told in ryme
At Shaftisbury lyeth buryed in his Shryne
9. After Kyng and Martyr Edward dyd succede
Edeldredus brevely to expresse
xviii Yere he bare his Crown in Dede
Lyke as Cronyelis clerly bere witnesse
Lyeth at Westmynster lyved ay in Distresse
After Prophecy of Saynt Dunstane as I rede
Deth for Mordour fynally was his Mede

10. After the Deth as made is Mynde
Of Edeldred fyll gret Diuision
Lordys purposed to distroy that Kynde
The Londeners hauyng contrary Disposicion
With sum Estastes which of Dyscrecion
Toke his Sonne Edmond on her Syde
Excludyng Kynite to reigne did provyde

11. After Edmond Kynite to the Monarchye
Reygned xix Yere bare gret Favour
A Dayne of Byrth exiled all the Lye
Of his Predecessours that none Enheritour
In this Region shuld be his Successour
Thys Londe consentyng to him be flatery
Lyeth at Wynchester in thold Monastery

12. Harald harefote after Kynyte was dede
V Yere reigned by Succession
Wt besy Trauayle the Crown bare on his Hede
In gret Contraversy toke Possession
Of thys Reame as made is Mencion
His Brother spyryng the Crowne to possede
Buried at Westmynster the Cronicle ye may rede

13. Hardknawt wonderful vengeable
Of his Reign dyd the seconde Yere
Agayn Nature as Tyrant untretable
Raysed the Body as sayeth ye Croniclere
Of his Broder thorowth extort Power
Threwe it in the Tempyll at Westmynstér beryed was
After in the Chirche Verde of Danys soo stode ye Caas

14. Of Edelred returne agayne the Lyne
Blessyd Edward entreth trew Enheritour
xxIII Yere as Mayde and clene Virgyne
Bare the Crown and had gret Labour
To his Suggettis Relef and trew Socour
Lyeth at Westmynster in hys nobyll Shryne
Werkyng Myracles thorgh Grace yt is devyne

15. Duke Harald after that was Kyng
Reigned a Whyle in gret Glorye
Bold and Hardy wylly in werkynge
And gret fortune tyll owte of Normandye
Cam Wylliam Conquerour wt a fayr maynye
Mett on a Feld and to gedyr ran
Wounded to the Deth is beryed at Waltham

16. This myghty William Duke of Normandy
As Bokes olde makye mencyon
By iuste Tytle and Chevalry
Made Kyng by Conquest of Brutys Albyon
Put owte Harald and toke Possession
Bare his Crowne full xxi Yere
Buryed at Cane thus sayth the Cronicler
17. Next in Ordre by Succession
William Rufus his Son crowned Kyng
Which toward God had litle Devocion
Destroyed Chirchis of new and old Byldyng
To make a Forest plesant for huntyng
xiiii Yere he bare his Crown in Dede
Beryed at Wynchester as thou may rede
18. His Broder next callyd first Henry
Was at London crowned as I fynde
Hose Broder Robert Duke of Normandy
Dyd Werr the Cronicle maketh Mynde
Reconsiled all Rancour set be hynde
Full xxiii Yere by Record of writyng
Yeris he reigned beryed at Redyng

19. His Cosyn Stephane when Henry was dede
Toward Englond dyd crosse his Sayle
Tharchebyshop sett upon his Hed
A Ryche Crowne beyng of hys Counsayle
xix Yere wt Sorow and gret Trauayle
He bare his Crown had he noo rest
At Feuersam lyeth beryed in his Chest

20. Henry the second Son of thempresse
Was crowned next a full mannlly Knyght
As Bokys old playnly dou expresse
That he by veray Force and Myght
Slew Seynt Thomas for holy Chyreh Ryght
Yeris xxxv reigned it is made mynde
At Ponnt Euerard beryed as I fynde

21. Rychard hys Son next by Succession
Fyrst of the Name strong hardy and notable
Was crowned Kyng called Cure de Lyon
Wt Sarazens Hedys serued att his Tabyll
Slayn at Gaylard wt Deth lamentabyll
The Space reygned of ix Yere
Hys Hert beryed at Rome at the Hye Autere

22. Next Kyng Richard reygned his Brother Ihon
After that he entred soone into Fraunce
Lost all Angeox and Normandy anon
This Lond enterdyted by his fals Gouernaunce
And as it is put in Remembraunce
xviii Yere Kyng of this Region
And lyeth at Wynchester ded of Poyson

23. Henry his Son ix Yere of Age
Was at Gloucester crowned as I rede
Long Werre he had wt his Baronage
Gretly delyted in Almes Dede
lvi Yere reygned he in ded
Beryed at Westmynster wt owt lesyng
The Day of Saynt Edward Confessour and Kyng

24. The Fyrst Edward wt the Shanks long
Was afterward crowned that was soo goode a Knyght
He wan Scotland magre ye Scots strong
And all Walys despyte of all theyr Myght
Duryng his Lyffe mayntened the Ryght
xxxv Yerys he was here Kyng
And lyeth at Westmynster wt owt lesyng

25. Edward his Son called Carnarvan
Succedyng after to make Alyaunce
As the Cronicle well reherse can
Weddyd the Doughter of the Kyng of Fraunce
On Thomas of Lancaster by deth toke Vengeaunce
xix Yerys he held his Regally
Beryed at Gloucester Bokis specyfy

26. Edward the III born at Wyndesore
Wich in Knyghthod had soo gret a Price
Enherytor of Fraunce wt owten more
Bare in his Armys quarth III Flowrdelyce
He gat Caleys by hys prudent Devyse
Reigned in Englond LII Yere
Lyeth at Westmynster witnesse ye Croniclere

27. Sonne of Prynce Edward Rychard ye seconde
In whos Tyme was Peas and gret Plente
Weddyd Quene Anne of Beame as I found
Elysabeth after of Fraunce who lyft to see
xxii Yere fully reigned hee
Beryed first at Langley thus stode the Caas
After to Westmynster his Body caryed was

28. Henry the III next crowned in certayn
A famous Knyght and of gret Semblenesse
From hys Exile when he cam agayn
Trauayled after in Werr and gret Syknes
xiii Yere he reigned as writen is
Beryed at Canntyrbury that holy Place
God for his Mercy do his Sowle Grace

29. The V Henry of Knyghthod Lodesterr
Wyse and ryght manly playnly to determyn
Ryght fortunat proved bothe in Peas and Werr
Gretly expert in arciall Disciplyne
Worthy to stond among the Worthys ix
Reigned x Yere who lyft to haue Reward
And lyeth at Westmynster not ferr fro Saynt Edward

30. The VI Henry browght forth in all Vertu
By iuste Tytill born by Enherytaunce
Afore provided by Grace of Crist Jhu
To were ii Crownes in Englond and Fraunce
To whom God hath geven soverayn Sufficiaunce
To reigne in Englond Yere
Beryed at Chertsey thus sayth myn Aucter

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to the

Chronicle of the Kings of England.

Almes Dede Alms giving.
Arciall Disciplyne . . . Practice of the Bow.
Argus Argues.
“argus in iustifying” — Is a justifiable Reason for.
Auctour Author. Authority.
Autere Altar.
Avayle Help. Encrease of Power.
Be yon Began.
Brevely Briefly.
Caleys Calais.
Despyte In spite of. Notwithstanding.
Eke Also.
Extort Compulsory. Arbitrary.
Gett Begotten.

Gon Began.
Goostly. Discreet. Judicious.
Hos Whose.
Kynde Race. Family. Line.
Lesyng. Falsehood.
Lye Line. Race. Family.
Magre In spite of. Notwithstanding.
Possede. Possess.
Quarth. Quarterly.
Reame Realm.
Semblenesse Seemliness. Personal Beauty.
Spyring. Aspiring. Conspiring.
Stepmoder Step Mother.
Syth Since.
Threwe. Although.
Travayle Trouble. Difficulty.
Trew. True. Just.
Untretable Unrestrainable.
Werr. War.



A MEMOIR
OF
GUY EARL OF WARWICK.

1. **FRQ'** Cristys Byrth complete ixc Yere
 xx and vii by Computacion
 Kyng Adheston as sayth ye Croniclere
 Reyned that Time in Brutis Albion
 Duryng also the Persecution
 Of theym of Denmarke which wt myghty Hande
 Rode brent slough made none Excepcion
 By cruell force througowte thys Lande
2. Spared nothir high nor lowe Degree
 Chirches Colages but yt they bete hem down
 Myghty Castells and euery grete Citee
 In their furye by false Oppression
 Vnto the Bowndes of Wynchester Town
 Wt Swerde and Fyre they made all waste & wyld
 And in theyr mortall Persecucion
 Spared not Women gret wt Child
3. In the Brennyng furyous Cruelte
 The Denmarke Pryncis pompous & elate
 Lyke Woode Lyonns voyde of all Pytee
 Did no favour to lowe nor hyghe Degre
 Allas this Lond stode soo disconsolate
 Froward Fortune hath at hem soo disdeyned
 Mars and Mercurye wer wt hem at Debate
 That both the Kyng and Pryncis wer constreyned

4. By foward Force to take theym to the Fyght
Thes Danysh Prynees agayn hem wer so wood
On high Hillys theyr fyrys gave gret Lyght
Fortune of Werre in such disioynt tho Stode
The People robbed and spoled of their Goode
For verray Drede of Colour dede and pale
Whan Stremys ran down of rede Blode
Lyke a gret Ryuer fro Mountayn to the Vale
5. Pauenture for sum olde Trespas
As is remembred of Antiquite
Of on persone hap fortune and Grace
Myght be wt draw in Cronicles ye may see
Rede how the Myghty famous Josue
Was put abacke III Dayes in Batayle
The Theft of Nachor made Israell to flee
Owt of the Feld and of their Conquest fayle
6. Thus by Pryd and veyne Ambucion
And cruell Furye of thes Princees tweyne
This Reame almost brought to Confusion
The Swerde of Bellna gan at hem so disdeyn
Lordes wer pensyf the porall gan complaine
On of thes Tyrants called Anelaphus
And as myn Auctor remembreth in certeyn
The tother was named Genaphelus

7. This Myschief wers than Stroke of Pestilence
God wt his Ponyshing is fownd mercable
The ſword of a Tyraunt smyth wt Violence
Wt furious Hond mortall and vengeable
Where Folke repent the Lord is ay tretable
That syttith above which holdeth all in his Hond
But thes Tyraunts to shed Blode most able
Wt Swerde and Flaume trobled all this Lond
8. God for Synne by Recorde of Scripture
Hath chastysed many a grete Citee
And suffred them gret Myschief to endure
Recorde Jerusalem Recorde of Nynive
Paryse in Fraunce hath had his pte pdee
For Lechery and False Ambucion
Paulpable Examples at eye men may see
Of Rome Cartage and of Troye Towne
9. This Mater ofte hath ben exemplifyed
For Lacke of Witte and of goode Counsayle
That Peoplys Hertys wer nott full applyed
To sue vertue for theyr own Availe
Wynde of glad Fortune blew not in their Sayle
For their Dimerits God ponyshed hem of Ryght
Owtrage and Vices hath Vengeance at his Tayle
And yit Kyng Adhelston was a manly Knyght

10. Of cruell Danys English Blode to shede

Their Swerd was wete and their Fyrys lyght
And yit in Cronicles at leysure hoo lyst rede
Kyng Adheston was a ful nobull Knyght
Though for a Tyme eclipsed was his Lyght
Of his Nobilnes and royll Mageste
The Hond of God stode alwey wt the Ryght
To channg his trouble in to Prosperite

11. The Sonne is hotter after sharp Shoures

The glad Morn foloweth the derke Nyght
After Wynter comyth May wt fresh Flowres
And After Mysts Phebus shyneth bryght
After gret trouble Herts be made lyght
And to conclude lyke as I began
God lyst to cast his merciable Syght
Vpon his Knyght the forsaide Adhelston

12. In this Mater farther to procede

Constreynt of Werr and grete Necessite
Made hym to drawe in Cronicles as I rede
Wt all his Lordes of hyghe and lowe Degre
To haue a Counsayle in Wynchester Citee
Some Remedye to fynde and hastyly provyde
Agayne the Malice and furious cruelte
Wrought by the Danys in ther marcyall Pride

13. Of all the Londe gadred wer the States
Remedy to shape in this Mater
Princes Barons Bishopps and Prelates
In that Citee assembled were in fere
Hap and Fortune shewed them heuy Chere
Theyr Hope turned to Dysperaunce
Knyghthod of Armes had lost the Maner
So destitute they were of Spere and Launce
14. In that Party was no Remedye
Redresse to fynde nor Consolacion
Mars sett abacke all their Cheualry
Thus stode the Londe in Desolacion
Strong were the Danys proude by Ambucion
Kyng Adhelston by Constreynt and Distresse
Held wt his Lordys a Counsayle in that Town
To fynde a Mene his Myschief to redresse
15. By Grace of God how this myght be amendyd
Recouer to fynde of their Aduersite
Brefly to tell yei wer thus condesendyd
By Enbassetry or Mene of sum Tretye
Streytly Driuen of Necessite
The Kyng of Denmark wt Homage to queme
Or vnder Tribute to haue this Libertee
As a Subgett reioyse his Diadem

16. Or ells pleynly of parties by Couenant
Kyng Adhelston for him to fynde a Knyght
Wt Collbrond of Denmark the Gyant
At Day assyngned tentre wt hym in fyght
For to dareyue by twene them ii the Ryght
Who shold reioyse wt strong and myghty Honde
To hold a Sceptre by Manhod and Myght
And haue Possession in quiete of this Londe
17. The Kyng the Lordes beyng there present
Wt owte Respite or long Dilacion
To yeue Answere of their fynall Entent
How they list quyte theym for short Conclusion
Other to make a Resyngnacion
Of Sceptre and Crowne or ells to fynde a Knyght
As I saide erst to be their Champion
Agayn Collbrond to entre in to Fyght
18. The Denmark Duke of Malys importable
Wood and wilfull in their Marciall Rage
In other Wyse lyst not to be tretable
Required in hast by Embassad or Message
To haue Answere or Plegges for Ostage
Of this Convencion Relacion to send
If they cast them to puttyn in Morgage
The Lyf of twayn to make a fynall Ende

19. This Appointment soo straytly was forth lad
Of furious Haste they wold haue noo Delay
Kyng Adhelston ful hard was to be stad
And all his Princes putt in gret Affray
Afore Wynchester the proude Duke laye
The Kyng wtm astonyed in his Mynde
And well the Moore by Cause he knew no way
In his Defence a Champion to fynde
20. He knew no better Mene as in this Matere
Redresse to fynde to reson accordyng
Than by Assent to take him to Prayere
He and his Lordes in Wakyng and fastyng
Pouer and ryche wt oute more taryng
All at ones as they were of Degree
Wt salt Terys resembled in their Wepyng
By Pennaunce doyng like folk of Ninive
21. From hygh Astates down to the Porayle
Of all Degreis founde was no Wyght
To vnderfong themprise of this Batayle
Agayn the Gyaunt of Denmarke to fyght
Herald of Hardern that noble famous Knyght
Called in his Tyme of Prowesse nyghe and ferre
Fader in Armes in euery Mannys Syght
Next Guy of Warwik of Manhod ye Lodesterre

22. The said Herald being tho absent
 Owt of thys Reame to seche the Son of Guy
 Called Raynbrown in Contreis adiacent
 And all ye Provinces yt stode fast bye
 Which in yong Age was stole traytoursly
 By stranne Merchants vngoodly led away
 Felice his Moder wepyng tenderly
 For his Absense complayning Nyght and Day

23. Born by Dissent to been her Faders heire
 Her yong Son Raynborn to succede
 In her Tyme was hold none so fayre
 Called thexample of Trought and Womanhed
 Rewing her Fader for Noblenes and Manhed
 Erle of Warwik named on of ye best Knyghts
 That was tho Dayes in Story as I rede
 But he forsooth flouryng in his Myght

24. Paid his Dett of Deth vnto Nature
 By Purchas Suf tren was sponne his lyves Threde
 And as the Story remembreth by Scripture
 Whan yt Felice conceyued had in Dede
 By the said Guy sone after as I rede
 Lyke a Pilgrym endowed wt all Vertue
 The next Morowe channged hath his Wede
 And sped him forth for Love of Crist Jhu

25. Forsoke the World unknown to euery Wyght
Of hygh Perfeccio[n] to lyven in Pennaunce
Lefte Wyf and Child and becam Godys Knyght
Whom for to serve he sett all his Plesaunce
Content wt litill Crist was Sufficiaunce
In worldly Pryde he list not to soiourn
Callyng agayn vnto Remembraunce
Kyng Adhelston my Penne I will retorne
26. As I began in Ordre to procede
Of his Compleynt to make mencion
Nott clad in purpyll but chaunged hath his Wede
Black for Morning and Desolacion
By Cause ther was in all his Region
Fownd no Persone his Quarell to defend
To God aboue he saide this Oryson
Bespreynt wt teres his Grace down wold send
27. O Lord quod he of most Magnifis[n]ce
Cast down thyn Gres vnto my Prayer
Remembre not vpon my gret Offence
But fro my Synnes turn away yr Ohere
Dyspayred I stonde in dowble Werre
To lese my Kyngdom Sceptre and Regalye
But Mediacion of thi Moder dere
Be gracious Meane to saue my partye

28. My Feyth my Hope my Trust my Affyaunce
All holy resteth in thy Proteccion
My Sheld my Sheltron my Swerde and eke my Launce
Be blont and feble my Power is born down
But Grace wt Mercy list be my Champion
Thorough yr Support my soon shall me encombre
While Adhelston saide this Oryson
Or he ware ware he fell in to a Slombre
29. For Wacch and Trouble he lay in an Agonye
Devoutly knelyng by his Beddys Syde
The Lord aboue which can no Man denye
That axith Mercy wt Mekenes voyd of Pride
For his Servant list graciously provyde
Which of his Goodnes sent an Angel down
Bad him not dred but sett all fere a syde
Which of his Goodnes had hard his Orisoun
30. Toward the Kyng he cast his Looke benyng
Bad him trust all holey in his Grace
By a Tokyn and an Entersigne
Which shalbe shewed to hym in short Space
Of Slepe adawed the Kyng lyft vp his Face
Marked euery thyng and prudently toke hede
To whom ye Angell his heuynes to enchase
Thes Wordes had in Story as I rede

31. From the voyde all Dispaire and Drede
 When Aurora shewith his pale Lyght
 To Morow erly aryse and take good Hede
 For Jhc Crist of his gracious Myght
 To yr Request hath cast down his Syght
 Trust vpon hym and in thy Trust be stable
 He shall conserve of Equite and Ryght
 Thy ryall Tytill for he is mercyable

32. At Phebus vpryst sett no lenger Date
 Whan syluer Dewe doth on the Flourys flete
 Make yr Passage toward ye North Gate
 Or euer the Sonne wt his fervent Hete
 Hath on the Levys dried vp ye wete
 Abyde there mekely and God shall thidr send
 First among pouer a Pylgrym yu shalt mete
 Entrete hym goodly yr quarell to defend

33. Clad as a Pilgrim in a brode Sclaven
 Old and forgrow among ye Porayle
 Marke hym wele and be ryght certeyn
 At thy Request yt he shalnott fayle
 To accomplish manly thy Batayle
 Trust in hym wele and for yr purparty
 Wt Goddys Myght that he shal prevayle
 In this Matere thyn axing not denye

34. Thes Wordes said as is rehersed here

Vnto the Kyng by Reuelacion
Thangell did vnwarely disapere
And Athelston of gret Devocion
Gave Thanke to God of this Avision
Newly reioysed out of all Hevynes
Wt 11 Bishoppes as made is Mencion
And Erles 11 forth he gan hym dresse

35. Thankyng the Lord of hys benygne Graunte

As he was bownd of dew Affeccion
Wt his Bishoppys and Erles expectaunte
At thilk partye northward of the Town
Lyke as thangell for short Conclusion
Had told the owr on to the Kyng but late
When pouer folk for Sustentacion
Had in Custume tentre in the Gate

36. As ye Cronicle brefly doth compile

Vnto purpose maketh Rehersall
Of John Baptist aforn in the Vigile
How Guy of Warwik made his Aryvall
At Portsmouth myne Auctor wil not faile
In his Wryting assigned Houre and Tyme
By Grace of God which may most avayle
Tellith how Guy even at Thoure of prime

37. When bright Phebus wt his gold tressid Beames
On Hills high did shew his heuenly Lyght
Erly on Morow and wt his hote Stremys
Dried vp the Dewe as Perlys Siluer bryght
When the said Guy nobill famous Knyght
Prepayred was from his long pilgrimage
Fro Portsmouth he toke his Way Ryght
To Winchester holding his Viage

38. By Grace of God I deme truely
Guy was hom sent in to this Region
Here taceomplich in Knyglhthod fynally
The last Emprise of his high Renown
He fortobe the Kyngs Champion
Vnknow of all but when he cam to Lond
To hym was made playn Relacion
Of his Requests how it did stond

39. They told him first in Ordre ceriously
Harald of Hardern that was soo goode a Knyght
Was gon to seke the Son of Guy
Gretly desyred of euery Maner Wyght
Which by Dyssent was born of veray Ryght
By Tytle of Felice famous of Womanheded
At repayre wt Grace of Crists Myght
Erle of Warwik iustly to succede

40. They told him also of the gret Stryf
Twen them of Denmark and Adhelston ye Kyng
And how yt Richard Fader to his Wif
Old Erle of Warwik notable of lyving
Was ded also and Guy herd euery Thyng
Of hygh Prudence kept hym self clos
Lyk a Pilgrim his Leve there takyng
Goeth to Wynchester anon as he ros

41. Guy toke his Logging when it drough to Nyght
Wt pouer Men at an old Ospital
Wery of Trauaille vnknow of euery Wight
Two hundred Paas wt out ye North Wal
Where standith now a Mynster full royll
The next morrow anoon as Guy awoke
God was Guyde in especial
Among pouer Men ye ryght Way he toke

42. To the North Gate as Grace did him guye
By Resemblaunce soo entryng the Town
As David whilom cam again Golye
To help Saule by Grace of God sent down
So for Refuge and for Saluacion
Bothe of ye Kyng and of all this Londe
Guy was provided to be their Champion
Againe ye Pompe of proude Collbrond

43. By his Abite and his pilgrim Wede
Thilk Tyme clad in a round Flaneyn
Of whos Aray when ye Kyng toke Hede
He saw Goddys Promysse was not made in veyn
Toke vp Hert and knew ryght wele serteyn
God fayleth neuer his Frend on see nor lond
Wt weping Teres his Chekys spreyn lik Reyn
For verray Gladnesse he toke Guy by the Hond

44. Beseching him in the most humble Wise
Wt sobbyng Chere yt reuth it was to see
To vnderfong this Knyghtly high Emprise
For Goddis Sake and merciful Petee
To do Socour in this Necessite
In his Defence that he uyl not fayle
Again Collbrond his Champion to be
For his partye darreyn this Bataile

45. Guy wonder sad of Loke and Visage
Feynt and wery and dulled of Travaile
Made his Excuse yt he fall in Age
And owt of vse more to be clad in Mayle
My Will quod he if it myght auayle
The cruell Ire of Danes to appese
For comyn Profite goode Will shalnot faile
My Lyf ieperdye and sett this Lond in Ease

46. The Kyng the Lordes made gret Instance
To this pilgram wt Langage and Prayer
Guy for to dou vnto the Kyng Plesaunce
Is condescendid like as ye shal here
For Jhu Sake and his Moder dere
Wt Goddis Grace after the Covenauant
And as ye Conuencion iustly doth require
At Place assigned to mete the Geaunt

47. Of this Emprise was made no long delay
The Bataill playnly to derrayn
Tyme sett of Juyll vpon ye xii Day
Place assigned and Metyng of thes tweyn
Thaccord rehersed ye Statute and ye Peyn
Doublenesse and Fraude sett a Syde
As ye Partyes wer bownd in certayn
For short Conclusion therby to abide

48. Wt out ye Gate remembred as I rede
The Place called of Antiquite
In English Tong called Hyde Mede
Or ells Denmarch not ferre fro ye Citee
Metyng to gedr there Men myght see
Terrible Stroks like ye Dynt of Thunder
Sperklis of Fyre out of their Harnes flee
That to be hold it was a verray Wonder

49. Thold Pilgrym quitte him lyke a Knyght
 Spared not the Geaunt to assayle
 On his left Sholder he smote him wt such Myght
 Vnder the Border of his Aventaile
 A Streme of Blode gan by his Sides rayle
 The Giaunt wode this hidous Collbrond
 Thought it shold gretly hym availe
 That Guyis Swerd was broken oute of his Hond

50. When Danys saw Guy had lost his Swerd
 They kawht in Maner a Consolacion
 Guy like a Knyght in Hert not a ferd
 Required manly of the Champion
 Sith he of Wepyns had so gret Foyson
 To graunt him oon that Houre in his Defence
 But Collbrond of Indignacion
 To his Request gave non Audience

51. For he was sett on Malice and on Wrake
 To executē his Purpose sett on Pride
 And while yt Guy and he to gedr spake
 Alat onys Guy stert out a Syde
 Kaught a Pollax list no lenger abide
 Smote the Geaunt euen in yt Stound
 And made his Stroke so myghtyly glyde
 That both his left Arme and Sholder fell to Ground

52. Wt which Stroke the Geaunt Collbrond

All his Armour and Body was made rede
Stoupyng a Syde gan reche forth his Hond
To take a Swerd whereof Guy toke Hede
God and Grace that Day gave hym such Spede
To put his Name euer after in Memory
Flew wt his Axe smote off the sturdy Hede
Of the Geaunt and had of him Victory

53. This thing accomplished by Grace of Goddis Hond

And by the Prowes of Guy this nobill Knyght
They of Denmark as the Statute bound
Haue crossed Sayle and take ther Way ryght
Toward their Contrey nother glad nor lyght
Their Surquedie and their Pompe oppressed
Kyng Adhelston by Grace of Goddis Myght
Had of Denmarke the Pride full repressed

54. Ther Froward Pompe wt Mekenes was reuersed

By Guy of Warwik as made is Mencion
The Kyng the Clergye devoutly haue hem dressed
Princes Barons and Burgeis of the Toune
Wt all the Comynte for short Conclusion
High and lowe to speke in generall
Hym to conveye wt Procession
Vnto ther Chirch called Cathedrall

55. This said Guy there kneling on his Kne
Wt gret Meknes made his Oblacion
Of that Axe wt which aforne that he
Had of Danys slayn the Champion
Which Instrument thoroute all this Region
Is yit called thax of Collbrond
Kept among Men of Religion
In the Vestry as ye may vnderstond

56. Whan all was don therwas no more to sayen
Guy in all Hast east of his Armure
Lyke a Pilgrim put on his Selaveyn
The Kyng full goodly did his besy cure
That he myght the Grace so recure
Of this Pilgrym to tell and nott to spare
In secre wise of his Aventure
And what was his Name playnly to declare

57. Truly qd Guy ye must haue me excused
As towching your axing and your Peticion
Bethnot besy nor lett no more be mused
In your Desire for non Occasion
To myn Excuse I haue full gret Reson
For I shall neuer discure this matere
But vnder Bond of a Condicion
Assuraunce made twen you and me I fere

58. All your Prineys avoyded by Absence
Sole by youre self oute of this Citee
None but we ii being in Presence
Wt Trought assured yt ye shalbe pryvee
Duryng my Lyf ye gett no more of me
To no persone I axe no more availe
Of Feyth and Othe to high nor lowe Degre
That ye shal neuer discouer my Counsaile

59. This Thing confermed by Promysse full royall
They passed the Bounedes and Suburbes of ye Toune
At a Crosse that stode ferre fro the Walle
Full devoutly ye Pilgrym knelid down
To sett asyde all Suspeccion
My Lorde qd he my Lorde wt outen Blame
Youre own liege Man of humble Affeccion
Guy of Warwike truly is my Name

60. The Kyng astonyed gan chere of Face
And in Maner gan wepe for Gladnes
And all atonys he gan him to embrace
In bothe his Armes of royall Gentilnes
Wt ofte Kyssing of feythfull Kyndnes
Wt gret Profris on the oder Syde
Of Gold of Tresour and of gret Ryches
Wt in his Palaise if he wold abide

61. All the Profris mekely he forsoke
 And to the Kyngs royall Maieste
 Hym recomendyng anon his Way he toke
 At his Departyng this Avowe made he
 Wt petuous Wepyng knelyng on his Kne
 Vnto the Kyng wt his humble Entent
 Duryng my Lyf it may non other be
 Shal I neuer don of this Garment

62. At their Departyng was but small Langage
 Swem of their Speche made Interrupcion
 The Kyng goth home Guy toke his Waye
 Toward Warwik his Castell and his Town
 Noman of hym hauyng Suspcion
 Where Day by Day Felice his trew Wif
 Fed pouer Folke of gret Devocion
 To pray for hir and for hir Lordes Lyf

63. XIII in Noumbre myn Auctour writeth soo
 Guy at his Comyng Sorgrow in his Visage
 Thre Dayes Space he was on of thoo
 That toke Almes wt humble and low Corage
 Thankyng ye Countes in Hast toke his Viage
 Not ferre fro Warwik ye Cronicle doth expresse
 By Aventure cam to an Ermytage
 Where he found on dwellyng in Wildernesse

64. To hym he drough beseching him of Grace
 As for a Tyme to hold the Soioure
 The same Eremyte wt in a litill Space
 By Deth is passed to the Fyne of his Laboure
 After whos Day Guy was his Successoure
 Space of ii Yere by Grace of Crist Jhu
 Dauntyng his Flesh by Pennaunce and Rigoure
 Euer more and more eneresyng in Vertue

65. God made hym know what Day yt he shold dye
 Trugh his most graciouſ Visitacion
 By an Angell his Spirite to convey
 After his bodily Resolucion
 For his Meritys to ye heuenly Mansion
 After he sent in Hast his weddyng Ryng
 Vnto his Wyf of trwe Affeccion
 Prayd her to comme and be at his Dying

66. And that she shold doe her besy Cure
 By all Maner of Wyfly Diligence
 In Hast tordeyn for his Sepulture
 Wt no gret Cost nor wt grete Dispenee
 She hasted fast till she cam in Presence
 Where as he laye dedly and pale of Face
 Bespreynt wt Terys knelyng wt Reuerence
 The ded Body swounyng she did embrace

67. And as this notable famous Knyght
Sent here word eke by his Messangere
In that same Place to burye him ryght
Where yt he laye aforne a small autere
And that she shold do truly her Devour
For hir selfe dispose and provide
The xv Day folowing the same Yere
To be buryed fast by his Syde

68. His holy Wif of all this Thing toke hede
Like as Guy bad she list no lenger tary
To quite her self of Trought and Womanned
She was full loth from his Desyre to vary
She sent in all Hast for the Ordinarye
Which occupied in that Diocise
She was not found in on Poynt contrarye
Althyng tacomplish as she kowd best devise

69. All this Mater brefly to conclude
At his Exequies olde and yonge of Age
Of grete Astates ther cam grete Multitude
Wt grete Devocion to that Ermitage
And like a Prince wt all the Surplusage
They toke him vp and leyde him in his Grave
Ordeyned of God aforne of hygh Corage
Agayn Danys this Region to save

70. Hos Sowle I hope restith now in Glorye
Wt holy Spirits above the Firmaintent
Felice his Wif ay calling to Memorye
That Day approching of her Entierment
Asorn ordeyned in here Testament
Hir Son Reynborn by Title of her possede
Eyre truly born by lyniall Discent
In therldom of Warwik to succede

71. The Stok descendyng of Antiquite
To Guy his Fader by Title of Mariage
After whos Deth by Lawe and Equite
Reynborn to entre in to his Heritage
After all this his Moder of good Age
Hath yeld her Dett by Deth of Nature
Beside her Lorde in thermitage
Wt a good Ende was made her Sepulture

72. For more Auctorite as of this Matere
Whos Translacion sueth in Sentence
Oute of the Latyn made by Croniclere
Called of old Gerard Cornubience
Which wrote the Dedys wt gret Diligence
Of theim yt were in Westsex crouned Kyngs
Gretly comendyng for Knyghtly Excellence
Guy of Warwik in his famous Writyngs

73. Of whos Nobles full gret Hede he toke
His Marciall Name putting in Remembraunce
The xi Chapitle of his Historiall boke
The perfit Lif the vertuous Gouernaunce
His wilfull Pouert his hard Lyving and Penaunce
Brought vnto me a Chapitle to translate
If ought be wrong in Mater or in Substaunce
Puttith ye wite for dowbilnes of lydgate

74. Mekely compiled vnder Correcccion
The Lyf of Syr Guy by diligent Labour
Sett a Syde Pride and Presumpcion
By Cause he had of Cadence no Coloure
In Tullyous Garden he gadred neuer Floure
Nor of Omers he cam neuer in the Mede
Praying echon of Support and Favoure
Not to disdeyne the Clauses when they rede

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Abite	Habit. Clothing.
Aforn	Before.
Anoon	As soon.
Astonyed	Bewildered.
Atonys	At once.
Avision	Intimation.
Ay	Always.
Blode	Blood.
Brennyng	Burning.
Brought unto	Induced.
Cast them	They resolved.
Chapitle	Chapter.
Comentye	Commonalty.
Conceyued	Conceived.
Condescendyd	Consented. Compelled.

Dareyne	Determine.
Dauntyng	Subduing.
Dedys.	Deeds.
Derrayn.	Determine.
Devour	Duty.
Dilacion.	Debate. Delay.
Discure	Disclose.
Dissent	Descent.
Dysperaunce	Despair.
Echon.	Each one.
Eke.	Also.
Emprise.	Undertaking.
Enbassetry	Embassy.
Enchase	Dispel.
Erst	At first.
Eye.	All. Every.
Eyre	Heir.
Fader.	Father.
Flaume.	Flame. Fire.
Fyne	End.
Gadred	Gathered.
Gan	Began.
Guye	Guide.

Harnes	Armour.
Hem	Them.
Hoo	Who.
Kowd.	Could.
Levys.	Leaves.
Lyst	Like. Please.
Lyven	Live.
Neuer	Never.
Ohere.	Ear.
On	One.
Or	Before.
Ospital	Lodging - house.
Owr	Hour.
Paas	Paces.
Pauenture.	Perhaps.
Pollax	Pole - axe.
Porall.	The Poor.
Porayle	The Poor.
Pouert	Poverty.
Profris	Proffers.
Puttyn	Put.
Qd	Said.
Quite.	Acquit. Conduct.

Quod	Said.
Rayle.	Run down.
Reame	Realm.
Recouer.	Recovery.
Rede	Red.
Reioyse	Enjoy.
Resolucion	Dissolution.
Ryuer.	River.
Seche.	Seek.
Slough	Slew.
Sonne.	Son.
Sorgrow.	Sorrow.
Spreynt.	Besprinkled.
Stremys.	Streams.
Surplusage	Ceremony.
Sustentacion.	Sustenance.
Swerd.	Sword.
Tentre	To enter.
Themprise	The Undertaking.
Thilk.	At that.
Tho.	Then.
Tordeyn.	To direct.
Tretable.	Forgiving.

Trought.	Truth.
Tweyne.	Twain. Two.
Unwarely.	Unobserved.
Uyl.	Will.
Vnderfong.	Undertake.
Vpryst.	Uprising.
Ware.	Aware.
Wede.	Clothing.
Werre.	War.
Werst.	Worst.
Whilom.	Formerly.
Wt.	With.
Yei.	They.
Yeue.	Give.



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